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Docket: 0756-1551

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Date: August 2, 1996

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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE  
REQUEST FOR FILE WRAPPER CONTINUING APPLICATION  
UNDER 37 CFR 1.62

Honorable Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
Box FWC  
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

This is a Request for filing a

[ X ] Continuation    [ ] Divisional

under 37 CFR 1.62 of prior pending application

Serial No. 08/160,909

Art Unit: 1107

Filed: December 3, 1993

Examiner: M. Wilczewski

Entitled: METHOD OF FABRICATING SEMICONDUCTOR DEVICES AND APPARATUS FOR PROCESSING A SEMICONDUCTOR

by the following named inventors:

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The above identified prior application in which no payment of the issue fee, abandonment of, or termination of proceedings has occurred, is hereby expressly abandoned as of the filing date of this new application. Please use all the contents of the prior application file wrapper, including the drawings, as the basic papers for the new application. (Note: 37 CFR 1.60 may be used for applications where the prior application is not to be abandoned.)

1. [ X ] To the best of information and belief, the current correspondence address of the inventors is as set forth in the attachment to this report.
2. [ X ] Enter the amendment previously filed in the prior application on June 21, 1996 under 37 CFR 1.116, but unentered.
3. [ X ] A preliminary amendment is attached.
4. The filing fee is calculated on the basis of the claims existing in the prior application as amended at 2 and 3 above.

For:	No. Filed		No. Extra	Rate Sm/Lg Entity	Fee
Basic Fee				\$375/750	\$ 750.00
Total Claims	67	- 20	47	x 11/22	\$1,034.00
Independent Claims	11	- 3	8	x 39/78	\$ 624.00
First presentation of multiple dependent claims		\$125/250		\$ 250.00	
Total					\$2,658.00

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5. [ X ] Amend the specification by inserting before the first line, the sentence:  
--This application is a Continuation of Serial No. 08/160,909, filed December 3, 1993, now abandoned.--

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6. [ X ] A check in the amount of \$3,178.00 is enclosed.  
Includes extension of time for the third month.

7. [ ] The small entity status established in the parent application continues to be applicable and such small entity status is hereby requested for the present application.

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8. [ X ] Priority is claimed under 35 USC 119 based on foreign application(s) No.(s) 4-350546 and 5-301172  
Filed in (country) Japan  
On (date): December 4, 1992 and November 5, 1993  
[ ] Certified copy (copies) attached.  
[ X ] Certified copy (copies) filed on February 16, 1994 in prior United States Serial No. 08/160,909 filed on December 3, 1993.

9. [ X ] The prior application is assigned of record to Semiconductor Energy Laboratory Co., Ltd..

10. [ X ] The power of attorney in the prior application is to:

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12. [ X ] The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge fees under 37 CFR 1.16 and 1.17 (except the issue fee) which may be required now or hereafter, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 19-2380. A duplicate of this form is attached.

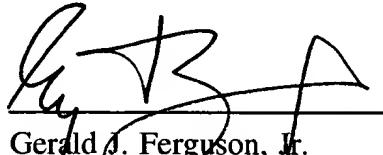
13. [ X ] It is hereby petitioned under 37 CFR 1.136 that the response term in the prior pending application be extended, if necessary, to a date which includes the filing date of the present application, and the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any necessary extension fee to Deposit Account No. 19-2380. The prior pending application is hereby expressly abandoned upon the award of a filing date to this application.

14. [ X ] Also enclosed:  
Names and Address of Inventors  
Petition for Extension of Time

Address all future correspondence to:

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